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## Research on Collision between MSDF DDG ATAGO and a fish boat SEITOKU MARU -Rough state of sea halts the Research Vessel KAIYO's search operation-

The Research Vessel KAIYO, operated by the Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology (JAMSTEC; Mr. Yasuhiro Kato, President), halted the search operation at 10:10 on February 23, 2008 because of the rough state of sea and the KAIYO had to move away from the bad weather. Research will be resumed once the weather serves.

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